

Project title:	Support to the Phytosanitary Services of the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture for import/export of plants and plant products
Position:	Senior Expert in export certification for potatoes
Location:	Lebanon
Eligible nationalities:	All nationalities
Start of project:	03/03/2014
Assignment duration:	70 wd
Deadline:	12/02/2014
Objective	<p>Overall objective The overall objective of this project is to improve plants protection and food safety in order to increase the contribution of the agricultural sector to the national GDP of Lebanon.</p> <p>Specific objective/s The specific objectives of this contract are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster imports/exports of plants and plant products in/out of Lebanon by bringing the Lebanese Phytosanitary Law and import/export regulations in line with EU directives and IPPC recommendations, maintaining a high level of phytosanitary control, and improving food safety; • Improve the Export Certification System for potatoes, thus enabling exports towards EU countries; • Enhance the capacities of the Service of Control of Import/Export and Plant Quarantine (SCIEPQ), of the Department of Plant Quarantine (DPQ) and of the Department of Import/Export (DIE) at the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture regarding controls on imports of cereals, legumes and oilseeds and export certification for potatoes.
Qualifications required:	<p>Qualification and skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degree in agricultural sciences or equivalent, with Phytosanitary/plant protection specialisation • Languages: fluent in English, knowledge of Arabic will be a plus • A prior experience as civil servant in a EU implementing organization will be an asset <p>General professional experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferably 10 years of professional experience in the plant products export service in EU countries • Experience in drafting technical manuals for export certification or similar instruction/reference materials according to EU requirements <p>Specific professional experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specific knowledge on the rules of border inspection control on the basis of related EU Regulation and Directive • Proven capacity on training on export certification for plant products • At least 5 years of professional experience as an officer responsible for control and certification of plant products intended for export in a phytosanitary public administration of EU countries • Experience in drafting technical procedures manual for export certification of plant products according to EU requirements • Strong analytical skills and team-working skills • Experience in project implementation in EU countries and/or the countries of MENA would be an asset • Practical skills in inspection for export certification of plant products • Familiar with the EU phytosanitary export legislation and directives
Other information:	<p><i>If you are interested in this position please send your CV in EU format under the heading “Lebanon & Senior Expert in export certification for potatoes”. When sending your application please include an indication of your desired remuneration (day-rate). Please also make sure that you include one or more telephone numbers.</i></p> <p><i>Only selected candidates will be contacted.</i></p>
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